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TNG Elects New Heads

Roscoe Treier, of the Toledo Blade editorial staff was elected chairman of the Blade Unit of the Toledo Newspaper Guild at the annual Unit election held last week, it was announced on Monday by Eleanore Coakley, Guild president.

Treier who covers the labor beat for the evening newspaper has been employed at the Blade since 1943. He is also an expert on gardening and conducts the newspaper's garden department.

Also elected by the Blade were William Hanlen, treasurer; Helen Orcutt, secretary and John Branshaw, recorder.

Clapp Is Named

Elected by the Times Unit as chairman was Robert Clapp, Times editorial staff. Delight Rush was chosen recorder.

Norval Ayers, Toledo Times editorial staff member, and chairman of the Guild's bargaining committee during recent contract negotiations was elected chairman of the grievance committee.

Miss Cookly announced that office space had been engaged in the Toledo Industrial Union Council headquarters building, 611 Huron St. and that plans were made to move the Guild's records in the near future. Office hours will be announced as soon as the office has been established, she said.

Miners Return To Coal Pits

WASHINGTON, April 14—Miners were returning to the coal pits in many mines today after UMW President John L. Lewis ordered them to resume work in safe diggings.

The Mine Workers layoff ordered for Easter week by the UMW head was to memorialize the Centralia, Ill. mine disaster in which 111 miners lost their lives. The stoppage which continued through last week was marked by a savage attack by Lewis on Secretary of the Interior Krug whom the mine head accused of being responsible for unsafe mine conditions leading to the Centralia disaster.

Observers here believe that Lewis has some good reasons for ordering the miners back to work although they expressed doubt that it was because of the refusal of Federal Court Justice Goldsborough to refund the UMW more than two million dollars which it has coming to it as a result of the Supreme Court's decision to cut the fine if the miners remained at their jobs.

Ford 600 Reelects Thompson

DETROIT (LPA)—The Communist-supported slate of officers for the world's largest union local—Ford Local 600 of the United Auto Workers-CIO—won almost all of the contested offices in elections which ended last week. Thomas Thompson, CP-backed candidate for president, was victorious over Mike Magee by a vote of 20,075 to 6916. There will be a runoff between rival candidates for secretary-treasurer.

They're Not Downhearted

It takes more than a little rain to dampen the spirits of striking Toledo employes of Ohio Bell Telephone Co. Despite a drizzle at the time the above picture was taken, in front of the company's Huron St., office, the strikers were having the time of their lives while a cop standing nearby yawned in apparent boredom. CIO President Philip Murray and local CIO leaders have expressed themselves in complete sympathy with the strike.

Marion UAW Given 11½ Cent Increase

More Wage Hikes Are Reported In Region 2-B Contract Plants

Marion won the parade of wage increases reported this week in Region 2-B UAW-CIO when 1000 members of Local 750 of that city were granted 11½-cents an hour wage hike retroactive to February 1.

Additional pay was granted consisting of 5-cents for the company's 283 female employes, 7½-cents premium pay for second shift employes and 10-cents for third shift.

Vacation pay was included in the contract. Vacation payments will be based upon overtime, shift premium pay and incentive bonus earnings.

Additional features of the new contract call for two hours time off with pay to enable employes to vote in national elections and six paid holidays for all employes.

Other Contract Clauses

Other clauses in the contract include union shop with check-off, union approval of bids, promotions recalls and disciplinary measures.

Contract negotiations for the union were in charge of the Local union's committee consisting of William Everly, chairman, William Darneli, Larry May, Kirl Moreland and Dale Nichols. Edward J. Duck, International UAW-CIO representative took part in all negotiations.

Other Raises Given

Other regional wage increases were reported as follows:

Local 110, Defiance: 5-cents for 150 employes of the Lynch Mfg. Co.; improved vacation clause. Retroactive to Feb. 3.

Local 639, Wauseon: 7½-cents for 150 employes of the McCord Corp. retroactive to March 17 and improved vacation plan.

Local 925, Delta: 10-cents for 75 employes of the Square Deal Body Co., retroactive to Feb. 1.

The Defiance, Wauseon and Delta contracts were negotiated by Harold Kolbe, International UAW-CIO representative.

Piqua Raise Reported

Local 643, Piqua: 6-cents for 400 employes of the Meteor Motor Co., retroactive to March 3.

Vacation pay in the Piqua plant will be paid on gross earnings rather than on straight hourly earnings as was formerly the practice. Orville Beemer, International UAW-CIO representative, was in charge of negotiations.

Remington Arms Co., Findlay: 10 per cent paid in two installments since February, the last increase was granted last week. Six paid holidays. Nego-

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UAW-CIO Opens Member Drive

PAULDING, April 15 — A new drive by the UAW-CIO for membership which was recently opened at the Grizzle Mfg. Co., here is making exceptionaly fine headway, it was reported here this week by Harold Kolbe, International union representative in charge of the organizational work.

Membership has rapidly come into the Auto Workers because of dissatisfaction with the UMW, District 50, which has held the plant contract, according to Representative Kolbe.

The only handicap reported by the UAW representative is lack of available hall space in which to conduct meetings. All available space has been tied up apparently to prevent UAW meetings. Despite this, Kolbe has expressed the belief that the UAW-CIO has a better than average chance of winning an NLRB election when it is held.

Molik To Select Sand Lake Staff

Plan Tentative Camp Opening For June

Tentative opening of Local 12's Children's Summer Camp at its recently acquired Sand Lake property has been set for the middle of June, it was announced Wednesday by Richard Gosser in a wire from New York, where he is attending a meeting of the UAW-CIO executive board.

Work of preparing the camp for occupancy is going forward at the present time in order to have the property in shape for the June opening, it was stated by Frank Molik, camp director. Painting of one large building and several cottages has already been started. The grounds will be beautified as soon as the weather permits work to be started according to the camp director.

Selection of a trained staff of instructors, life guards and other camp personnel is in charge of Mr. Molik who is interviewing qualified occupants at his office in Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St. Union members or others who have had experience and possess qualifications and references may apply to Mr. Molik for the positions.

Plans are being made by the committee headed by Regional Director Gosser to give from 600 to 800 Toledo children an opportunity for a healthful summer vacation in the camp this year.

Interest in the new project is being shown by many Units of the Local which have donated sums of money ranging from $25 to $3,000 for the maintenance of the camp. Non-union members, leaders in the community, have also pledged their help to the camp.

Use of a Jeep for the use of the camp personnel was donated this week by the Willys-Overland Motor Corporation it was announced by Mr. Molik.

A GOOD CAUSE

You can help the cause of the children of Toledo by purchasing tickets for Local 12's boxing show to be held at the Civic Auditorium, Friday, May 2. Proceeds from the fight, which will be an All-Golden Gloves Championship affair, will go to the support of Local 12's Sand Lake Summer Camp. Tickets may be obtained from your shop committeemen or from the Local 12 Recreation Department.

YOUR PAPER

If you are not receiving your paper, or if you have changed your address, send your old and new address and shop name to the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL, 425 Winthrop St. Attention Randoph Gray. Forms for this purpose may be obtained from the Local 12 dues office. Remind your stewards and shop committeemen that they can secure these forms at Local 12.

Tailors End Week Strike

Accept 16 Cents And 30-Day Wage Clause

Toledo tailors, members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO employed by five downtown men's stores, returned to work on Monday morning of this week following settlement of their wage demands with the store managements.

Final settlement was made when the store managements agree to a 16-cents an hour wage increase and acceded to the union's demand that a 30 day wage re-opening clause be placed in the agreement. Minimums established by the pact were $1.38½ for male employes and $1.03 for females.

The tailors contract which had expired April 1 was left unsettled when they asked for a 20-cents an hour wage hike. Store managements offered 10 cents. When the dispute was deadlocked, the tailors established their picket lines around Bond's, Baker's, Hoffman-Thomas, Weber's and Nicholas mens stores on April 7.

Chester Kapela, ACWA Toledo representative expressed his appreciation to the Toledo L-M-C for its aid in the solution of the stoppage. Aiding in the settlement were Louis Schultz, Chicago, ACWA regional director and Sam Kolkey, International union representative.

MMSW Sec'y Quits

CHICAGO (LPA) — The international secretary-treasurer of the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers-CIO resigned last week and charged his fellow-officers with obeying the guidance of the Communist Party. Charles W. Moyer urged union members to get locals to withdraw from the MMSW and to affiliate with the Provisional Metal Workers Council-CIO with headquarters in Waterbury, Conn.

Telegraph Strike Looms

NEW YORK (LPA) — Negotiations between the Commercial Telegraphers Union-AFL and Western Union were stalemated last week despite government conciliation efforts. The CTU, with 50,000 members, filed strike notices with the Labor Department after the company refused "to budge an inch" on the union's demand for a 25c increase, according to a union official. A strike may be called any time after May 3.

Inquiring Reporter

Member of the Buckeye Paint Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO, were asked their opinion about the action of the Ohio Senate in passing a bill last week cutting down the employers' contribution to the unemployment compensation fund. Following are their comments.

Steve Zackel: I think they should try and get the unemployment compensation higher instead of cutting the employers' contribution. I also think that the compensation should be given when employes are on strike. We should still go after increased compensation. If the fund can afford to cut from 20 to 30 million dollars from the employers' contribution it can afford to give the unemployed more compensation.

Steve Zackel Gabriel Kovacs

Gabriel Kovacs: It was wrong to cut the employers part of the contribution but the workers have been getting a dirty deal from the Ohio legislature right along. According to the vote on unemployment compensation, it's a big business legislature. I think they will use the cut as an excuse to keep from raising our unemployment compensation. This proves that labor should elect people to office who are in

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Young Replaces Stack

New York (LPA)—The national council of the National Maritime Union-CIO last week picked Chester Young, a supporter of Joseph Stack, to replace Stack as union vice-president. The vote was 8 to 2 with 6 abstaining. Stack was removed from office at a membership meeting after NMU president Joe Curran charged him with being a Communist, "malfeasance, and conduct unbecoming an officer of the union."

Keep Your Eye On Congress

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	WHERE IT IS	ACTION
Wage-Hour Amendments S 70 HR 2157	Offers weakening amendments to Wage-Hour bill; would limit workers' rights to damage claims.	Bill passed by House; Senate version due for action soon.	Wire Senators to defeat S. 70.
Anti - labor bills (Senate)	Variety of proposals to limit bargaining, outlaw union security, hamper strike rights, under consideration.	Senate Labor Comm. holding hearings March 8. Report and combind bill due in fortnight.	Wire Senators to defeat bills to weaken unions, limit labor rights.
Anti - labor bills (House)	Wide variety of proposals include repeal of Wagner Act, compulsory arbitration and provisions of last year's Case Bill.	House Labor Comm. holding hearings. Chairman Hartley suggests 10 major points of attack on unions.	Write, wire Congressman to defeat proposals to weaken labor rights.
HR 1 Knutson "soak poor" tax bill	Offers 20 per cent tax cut — little savings for low income families, big windfalls for wealthy.	Referred to House Ways & Means Comm. No hearings yet held.	Ask Congressman to pass tax bill placing heavier burden on big incomes.
Anti - poll tax bill S 94 HR 7 et al	Would remove poll tax as voting bar in seven southern states for federal elections.	S 94 (Pepper bill) in Senate Comm. on Rules & Administration; 7 House bills in Comm. on House Administration.	Ask Senators, Congressman to push for speediest possible action.
Wagner-Murray Rent Control Bill S 528	Continues rent control for another year "as is."	Referred to Senate Banking & Currency Comm.	Ask Senators to pass this rent bill, keep rents stable.
Women's Status Bill HR 2007	Removes unfair discrimination against women, saves protection for women workers.	Referred to House Judiciary Committee.	Ask Congressmen to seek passage of bill.
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S. 866 Taft-Wagner-Ellender Housing Bill	Longe-range housing program, providing govt. and private homes in lowest rent brackets.	Senate Banking & Currency Committee holding hearings. CIO supports bill, asks some improvements.	Wire, write yours Senators and Chairman Tobey (R. N. H.) of Banking Comm. to support.
HR. 1750 S. 71 Taylor-Douglas Vet Homes Bill	Provides for gov't aid to build vet homes in $30-$50 monthly rental categories.	S. 701 before Senate Banking Comm. Hearings now on. No hearings yet in House.	Ask Senators to vote for S. 701. Ask Representatives to press for early hearings.
HR. 2275 Thomas 'Loyalty' Bill	Sets up special U. S. body to probe "loyalty" of govt. workers. Could order firings without appeal.	Referred to House Un-American Committee.	Write, wire Congressmen to defeat this anti-civil rights proposal.

Address all Representatives at House Oiffce Building, Washington 25, D. C., all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

CIO To Meet Legislators

Union to Present Views On Bills

CIO representatives from Toledo plants will present their views on current legislation pending before the Ohio General Assembly when they meet with the five Lucas County representatives in City Council Chambers in the Safety Building on Saturday at 2:00 p. m.

The meeting arranged by the Lucas County Political Action Committee is part of the "Defend Labor Month" observance planned by the Toledo Industrial Union Council in connection with the national CIO.

Clayton Rusch, PAC chairman will head the delegation and will be accompanied by workers from many CIO plants.

Asks Labor Turnout

All shops have been urged by the TIUC through its executive secretary Tom Burke, and through the PAC to send as many representatives as possible to Saturday's meeting.

Discussing the efforts being made by CIO and the PAC to get labor favored legislation passed and harmful bills defeated, Mr. Rusch said:

"We believe that the workers of Toledo in common with workers all over the nation are fully awake now to the dangers which they face. We can easily lose on the legislative front everything we have gained on the economic front unless we show our strength and convince our representatives that there has been a great change since last November."

Tentative Plans

Tentative plans for another meeting of CIO workers was made by the Toledo Industrial Union Council's executive board last month.

Richard Lazette, TIUC president stated that no action has yet been taken to bring about a proposed mass meeting of CIO, but indicated that a special meeting of the executive board might soon be called to complete such plans.

Council Passes Taft-Hartley Bill Resolution

Members of City Council's Labor Committee meeting on Wednesday afternoon of this week passed a motion to present a resolution opposing the Taft-Hartley bill "regulating" labor to the regular Monday meeting of Council following an analysis of the bill by Councilman Tom Burke.

The resolution to be presented on Monday to City Council is based on the fact that Toledo has had good labor-management relations and that legislation of the Taft-Hartley type would upset these conditions and cause a disruption of industrial peace in this community.

Members of the labor committee hearing the case for labor consisted of Vice-Mayor Michael V. DiSalle and Ollie Czelusta. Councilman Leonard Donovan, the third member of the committee was absent.

CIO representatives from a number of Toledo plants were present at the hearing.

A large turnout of CIO and PAC representatives is expected at the Council meeting next Monday when the resolution is presented for action of the entire body.

Vote Reynolds Strike

LOUISVILLE (LPA)—Fourteen plants of the Reynolds Metal Co. are threatened with a strike by members of the International Council of Aluminum Workers-AFL. The union's officials have set no date pending outcome of negotiations.

TUNE IN

Richard Lazette, Toledo Industrial Union Council president will be the featured speaker over "Labor Reports" radio program broadcast each Saturday at 1:30 p. m. over Radio Station WTOL. Mr. Lazette will speak on "CIO and Social Services. Be sure to tune in each Saturday and hear Labor Reports giving you the latest information on labor from labor sources.

Taft-Hartley Omnibus Bill Would Wreck All Union Gains

WASHINGTON, April 15—While Republican members of the House Labor Committee attempted today to defend their union "regulatory" bill as an attempt to "free" the workers of America from "a tyranny more despotic than one could think possible in a free country," CIO labor leaders met here to devise ways and means of combatting the vicious Taft-Hartley legislation which would admittedly wreck organized labor.

Labor's alarm warnings during the past two months were proved to be no crying of "wolf." Liberals and progressives outside of the labor movement were frankly shocked by the wholesale attack on labor rights and the attempt to nullify the gains made over the past 100 years.

Labor expected a vicious bill from the House committee, which is loaded 20 to 8 against unionism. It did not expect the sweeping union-crippling legislation asked by Sen. Robert Taft (R., Ohio), which goes far beyond wrecking of the Wagner Act.

Tentative Bills

For the time being both bills are tentative. Taft's 62-page omnibus bill was printed and titled "Tentative Only — Not Approved by the Committee." But the House bill, even before it was fully approved by the committtee, was okayed by the House Republican Steering Committee, which means that it will have relatively clear sailing in the GOP majority once it reaches the House floor for debate.

Taft said that his bill, which he claimed was backed by seven of the committee's 15 members, will be submitted for committee vote, but he was confident that it would not be seriously amended. Nevertheless, it was common knowledge that there was a three-way split in the committee.

Both bills had two major features in common; they put an end to the closed shop and to industry-wide bargaining.

Ends Closed Shop

The closed shop would not be definitely outlawed in the Taft bill but its effect may be the same in its provision that "it shall not be an unfair labor practice for an employer to re-

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Insurance Strike Settlement Made

Insurance agents employed by the Monumental Life Insurance Co. here returned to their work on Monday morning following settlement of their four weeks strike on Saturday.

Negotiations between the United Office and Professional Workers-CIO representing the striking insurance men and company officials were satisfactorily ended in Cleveland when a compromise between the two disputants was affected.

While the union did not achieve its $50-a-week guarantee which it was seeking, an increase of $8.00 a week was given by the company together with a guaranteed collection commission amounting to 3 per cent increase on weekly and 4 per cent on monthly accounts.

In addition to the wage and commission increases, the company agreed to a union shop and back pay for the strikers for the time they had lost during their stoppage.

Del DeMott, president of Local 29, UOPWA-CIO who made the announcement of the strike settlement expressed the view that "it was a fairly reasonable settlement."

Fear Of Steel Strike Grows

PITTSBURGH, April 16 — (LPA) — Possibility of a national steel strike—completely discredited by daily press "labor experts" — raised its head again this week.

CIO President Philip Murray called a special meeting of executive board members of the United Steelworkers-CIO for April 19 and 20 to consider strategy if a new contract is not settled by April 30. The April 30 expiration date was a postponement from the original deadline of Feb. 15. The USA's 170-man wage policy committee was summoned to meet on April 21.

Union negotiations with U. S. Steel, which traditionally sets the pattern for all steel union contracts, showed little progress. One union official said "We are agreed on nothing."

The strike fear, which became so concrete that it affected the stock market, came closer to reality as the profit-swollen U. S. Steel refused to meet the union on any single major demand. The union's strike notice was filed Jan. 15 and there was no indication from either side that any new extension of the agreement will be sought.

Record Billions For Advertising

NEW YORK, April 16 (LPA)—U. S. business poured lavish billions into advertising last year and set all-time records in expenditures for newspaper space and radio time.

The total advertising bill was $3,116,600,000, exceeding the 1945 figure by $500,000,000 Newspapers pocketed $963,800,000 while net time sales of radio broadcasting amounted to $325,890,000 for a new record and a 7.2% jump over 1945 Magazines accounted for $430,400,000 or nearly 14% of the total.

Truman Mildly Slaps Business

Labor Predicts Collapse Unless Prices Are Cut

WASHINGTON, April 16 (LPA)—President Truman administered a mild slap in the wrist to business last week in commenting on the dangers of present high prices.

Business' angry reaction was that "it's not our fault Despite what labor economists call "perilously high" profits, the National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, as well as spokesmen for textile manufacturers, retailers, makers of machinery, all agreed that they'd done their share, and Truman's remarks didn't apply to them.

The President, after hearing a report to the Cabinet from his three-man Council of Economic Advisers, told a press conference that 1) the responsibility rests squarely on business to hold prices down, now that price control has been out the window for many months; 2) he had asked the Justice Department to study how groups of manufacturers could combine to cut prices without violating anti-trust laws; 3) profits have been very great in the last three quarters of 1946 and the first quarter of 1947; 4) labor will be justified in asking higher wages unless the cost of living comes down. Truman expressed disapproval of buyers' strikes and of taxing away excess profits.

Paint Black Picture

The Economic Advisors are understood to have painted a very black picture of the dangers of the current high prices. Both AFL and CIO have be

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fuse to bargain concerning a demand for a provision requiring membership in a labor organization as a condition of employment." The House draft has no "ifs" and "buts"; the closed shop is forbidden.

On industry-wide bargaining, the House bill would virtually destroyed it. The Taft version gives the employer the right to refuse to bargain on a national basis.

From there on it became a race to see which of the two bills could be more punitive and vindictive than the other. The House bill would abolish the National Labor Relations Board entirely and set up a new board with greatly diminished powers. The Taft idea would be to increase the board from three to five with any two able to act for the entire board, and with its powers curtailed.

Special Strike Ban

Eight specific types of strikes would be banned by the House bill. It would demolish the Norris-LaGuardia anti - injunction law, permitting both private employers and government to employ it as a weapon against unions. The Taft plan would permit the attorney general to obtain injunctions that could stop for 60 days strikes allegedly affecting public health, safety and welfare.

Both bills cite a long list of unfair labor practices with which unions could be charged. Both give employers the "right of free speech" which labor leaders have charged is simply license for intimidation. Both bills ban jurisdictional strikes and secondary boycotts.

Both bills permit employers to sue unions into bankruptcy if they can. Both bills would remove the Conciliation Service from the Labor Department and make it a separate organization.

House Bars Picketing

Mass picketing, of which no court or Congressional committee has ever made a final definition, is banned by the House plan; not by the Senate. On Communists, the Senate refused to follow the House bill's eccentric idea of banning any union as a bargaining agent if it has national or even local officers who are Communists or who can "reasonably be regarded" as Communists.

The Taft program overlooked a prohibition on political contributions by unions; the House bill did not.

But Sen. Taft, proclaiming his bill to a press conference last week, said. "This bill is not a punitive one."

There was heavy irony in the proposal of Taft, the Republican Congressional leader and presidential hopeful, that individual employes be given the right to petition an NLRB election. The NLRB already has the greatest backlog of cases in its history and the Republicans have pushed through the House an appropriations bill which would clip the NLRB's functions by 30%.

Hits Welfare Funds

Taft's bill would hit union health and welfare funds and the House bill would regulate the amount of initiation fees a union could charge. Both bills would exclude foremen from Wagner Act protection.

Perfect anti-climax was found in the Taft proposal to establish a joint 14-man House-Senate Commision to make a complete investigation of the entire field of labor management relations. This was what President Truman asked Congress to do before it passed any punitive legislation. The GOP thumbed its Congressional nose at Truman.

Labor leaders declared there was still time to act effectively against union-wrecking legislation. The House bill, with the GOP's steering committee green light, will probably get through without major changes. But it was still expected that the Taft proposal, if it gets out of committee intact, will be rewritten on the Senate floor.

Chances of enactment of anti-labor legislation before the end of April are very dim. GOP optimists have hope for mid-May.

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asked to present their views to the Council; the AFL is understood to have met with the Council already, and the CIO has presented a brief describing their views.

Labor economists frankly admit that there is reason to be "scared." They point to the danger that the whole price structure will collapse suddenly when the economy can no longer stand pyramiding high prices. They point to the fact that the Justice Department has done nothing about combinations of industry to keep prices high, and is very unlikely to act effectively to encourage orderly price reductions without mangling the anti-trust laws.

Truman Too Mild

Union officials expressed dissatisfaction with Truman's mild language about industry profits, even while he agreed with one reporter that they were up as much as 300%. They expressed belief that prices can be cut and wages raised without hurting most of industry.

Further indications of the danger of high prices were seen in reports that department store sales for the pre-Easter week ran 16% behind last year when higher prices were counted out, that there is a trend to buy from mail-order houses rather than specialty stores—indicating that consumers are being more cautious in what they buy—and that building construction is lagging because of skyrocketing prices of building materials.

USA Picks New Heads

CHICAGO (LPA) — All top officers of the United Steelworkers of America-CIO were re-elected as a result of a ballot of the membership, it was announced last week. President Philip Murray, vice-presidents James G. Thimmes and Van A. Bittner, and secretary-treasurer David J. McDonald all were unopposed. Three new regional directors were chosen: James Dickerson for Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas; James P. Griffin, eastern Ohio; James C. Nicholson, Canadian maritime provinces.

Closed Shop Ban Growing

CHICAGO, April 16 (LPA)—Encouraged by the fact that 16 states have already banned or regulated the closed shop, attorneys general of 12 states gathered this week in Lincoln, Neb. to prepare strategy to defeat organized labor's legal appeals against the closed shop statutes.

Delaware last week became the 12th state to enact an outright ban on the closed shop. In addition the legislature outlawed mass picketing and boycotts.

The Workers Defense League asked the attorneys general conference "to urge repeal of the various state anti-closed shop laws, rather than to adopt policies for their enforcement."

Writing to Atty. Gen. Walter Johnson, of Nebraska, the WDL declared that "Such legislation increases rather than lessens industrial strife."

AFL President Wm. Green appealed without avail to Gov. A. E. Driscoll, of New Jersey, to veto a "totalitarian anti-strike" bill adopted by the state legislature after only five hours consideration. The measure was clearly aimed at the striking telephone workers.

A six to three Supreme Court decision holding that the National Labor Relations Act supercedes state labor relations laws was hailed by AFL attorney Herbert Thatcher as providing new basis for labor's appeals against the closed shop laws.

Portal Pay Ban May Be Vetoed

WASHINGTON, April 16 — (LPA) — Congressional legislation to ban portal-to-portal pay suits and also to wreck the Wage-Hour Act is stalled midway between the Senate and House. Labor had good reasons to believe that its appeals would bring a presidential veto of whatever bill is decided on.

Wrangling between the House and Senate confrees, chiefly among the Republicans who cannot unite against a Democratic minority, has delayed writing of the final bill. The House passed the bill on Feb. 28, the Senate on March 21.

Labor was still hoping for a Truman veto of the legislation which goes far beyond nullifying the nearly $6 billion dollars in suit for back pay under the Wage-Hour Act. The Senate-House confrees were partly afraid of a veto and also concerned about Labor Secretary Schwellenbach's warning that if any compromise bill became law it would provoke a new rash of suits which could not be handled by the reduced staff of attorneys in the Department.

Schwelenbach said he was asking Truman to veto the bill even before he knew what the final version would be. It was certain that whatever came out of the Senate-House conference would severely damage the Wage-Hour Act.

NAACP Demands Sigler Retract

DETROIT (LPA) —Governor Kim Sigler has been asked by the National Association for Advancement of Colored People to retract his charge that the NAACP "is led by Communists . . . and backed by the CP." The organization charged Sigler with being "irresponsible" and asked for "an adequately publicized apology to an organization that has fought for 38 years for real democracy for all Americans within the framework of the Constitution." The Detroit NAACP chapter has 20,000 due-paying members.

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sympathy with us instead of big business.

Robert Boner: Unemployment contributions should have either been left as they were before or even been raised. It wouldn't take long to wipe out the fund if there was a big layoff in the state. This is the wrong time to save money for the employers when the profits are higher than ever before. It's dangerous because a big layoff might even cause the fund to go broke. . . .

Robert Boner

John Russ

John Russ: Cutting the contributions from the employers was a lousy trick. Our compensation should be raised. They are boosting production so fast and keeping prices so high that there will be plenty of unemployment if they don't wake up. Half a billion dollars sounds like a lot of money, and it is, but it wouldn't take long to eat that up if we ran into another depression. What they should do is give us an annual guaranteed wage of 80 per cent of our average yearly income instead of cutting contributions from the employers. Any way you look at it, the Ohio Senate turned back the clock.

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AFL Enters Allis-Chalmers

MILWAUKEE (LPA)—"More than a thousand" Allis-Chalmers employes have asked the United Auto Workers-AFL to intervene in a hearing of the State Employment Relations Board to determine what union should represent workers in the A-C plant near here. Neither the CIO Auto Workers, which recently voted to end a 328-day strike at the plant, nor the Indepedent Workers of Allis-Chalmers was able to obtain sufficient votes in a recent state board election.

Soap Operas Threatened

NEW YORK (LPA) — If you hate soap operas and corny comedians you'll be plugging for the Radio Writers Guild-four major broadcasting net-AFL to pull a strike against the works on May 10. If you're a good unionist you'll hope the 1700 radio writers win a settlement of their demands which chiefly involve ownership of scripts. So if they do win, where are you? As a good union member should you listen to union-made soap operas and corny comedians?

UPWA Wins Prize

NEW YORK (LPA) — The United Packinghouse Workers of America-CIO last week was awarded the annual prize of the American Public Relations Association for the best public relations job in the labor field for the past year.

Tax Bill Faces Veto

WASHINGTON, April 16 — (LPA) — The GOP' tax bill, described by some Democratic Congressmen and labor economists as a phony program that will give a windfall to the rich and rob the nation's wage earners, faces a presidential veto.

There were a lot of questions about that veto, however, Democratic Congressmen agreed. Truman, they said, may not want, for reasons of political strategy, to veto two bills, and they figure that the labor legislation that will reach the White House will be unacceptable. If Truman should approve the labor legislation now announced in both Senate and House "his goose would be cooked" as far as the labor vote is concerned next year, labor leaders agree.

Truman's Jefferson Day address criticizing "false economy" was belittled by Senator Robert Taft (R., Ohio) who said that "The President's budget will be cut. If we don't cut taxes now the spenders will soon find new ways to spend."

Labor economists and Democratic Congressmen continued to criticize the 20% across-the-the-board reduction which the Republicans pushed through. Labor has demanded a proportionate cut giving the low income brackets an equal break. It was considered certain however that the GOP tax program would be passed by both houses. Chief reason for its enactment given by Republican Congressmen was that it had been promised in campaign speeches.

Beer War Ends

PITTSBURGH (LPA)—Both sides expressed relief last week when an agreement was signed by CIO Brewery Workers and AFL Teamsters to end open conflict between the two unions over jurisdiction at three local brewing companies. The Teamsters will await an NLRB election at the end of the present two-year contract between the CIO and the breweries, and both sides promised the end of violence that has included bomb-tossing and window smashing in 178 days of argument.

ILG On Air in South

ST. LOUIS (LPA) — Radio listeners in Missouri and Tennesee will hear the voice of labor over two FM stations planned by the International Ladies Garment Workers-AFL. One transmitter will be atop Signal Mountain near Chattanooga; the other will be located in downtown St. Loius, where the union has purchased a building site.

CIO Opposes Agency Cuts

WASHINGTON, April 16 — (LPA) — The CIO last week threw its strength against Congressional cuts which would would cripple crucial functions of both the Labor Department and the National Labor Relations Board.

CIO Secretary-Treasurer Jas. Carey, testifying before a Senate Appropriations subcommittee, declared that "the murderous cuts made by the House mean waste, not economy. The nation will lose far more in dollars as a result of the services that are slashed than will be saved on paper, and under the tax bill of the House Republicans, even these alleged savings will benefit huge tax payers, not the man in the street."

Carey pointed out that the NLRB is already suffering from insufficient funds as the result of budget cuts last year when more than one-quarter of its staff had to be fired. The NLRB backlog of cases is now 5400 and growing steadily, he added.

"Intolerable delays in the function of the NLRB will increase strikes and unrest. Beheading and starving the Conciliation Service, with a slash of 25%, will remove machinery for promoting agreements. Similarly disastrous will be the 60% cut for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. For unless this Bureau has the fund originally requested, essential information for proper negotiation or arbitration of labor disputes will be lacking. In the absence of such information, labor and management will start negotiations farther apart than ever."

CIO Offers Miners Aid

PITTSBURGH, April 19 — (LPA) — CIO unions throughout the country last week joined AFL groups in extending sympathy to the United Mine Workers-AFL and the bereaved families of 111 victims of the Centralia, Ill. mine disaster.

The Michigan CIO Council asked all local unions in the state to lower their flags to half mast and declared, "Michigan CIO members fully recognized their debt to the miners for their support and solidarity in helping to extend the benefits of unionism throughout the country."

United Steelworkers and United Electrical Workers also extended condolences.

UEA Local 1272 here said in a message to the UMW that "The miners' six days of mourning and the death of the 111 should symbolize the need for unity and solidarity of all the workers in America to stop forever the hazardous and dangerous conditions which American workers are forced to work under."

UE District Council Six said "We stand ready to give whatever help and assistance the families of Centralia miners may request of us."

Wage Hikes Needed

CLEVELAND (LPA) — The urgent need for immediate wage raises was presented to a National CIO Education Conference here last week. Assistant CIO Research Director Stanley H. Ruttenberg told the conference that with high prices remaining at current levels "it is only through higher income, not only for production workers but for white collar workers, school teachers and other groups, that we can develop an economy of full production and full employment."

Marion UAW Given Increase

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tiated by Walter Madrzykowski, International UAW-CIO representative.

Toledo Increases

Wage increases were reported by Harold Dean, Locl 12 representative in the following plants:

Toledo Porcelain Enamel: 5-cents an hour with a 40-hour vacation bonus to employes of 15 or more years.

Ford Pitt Steel: 5-cents to unskilled, 10-cents to skilled labor. A previous increase had been given Fort Pitt employes.

S. M. Jones Co.: 8-cents plant-wide increase was given to 100 employes, it was reported by Lloyd Speidell, Local 12 recording secretary, who negotiated the increase.

Buckeye Paint: 7½-cents retroactive to Feb. 1, two paid holidays. Barton Dederman, Local 12 Board member negotiated the raise with the union committee headed by William Healey.

Local union and regional office representatives stated that a number of other increases had been granted in Toledo and elsewhere in Region 2-B and would be announced after the new wage hikes had been signed by union and company officials.

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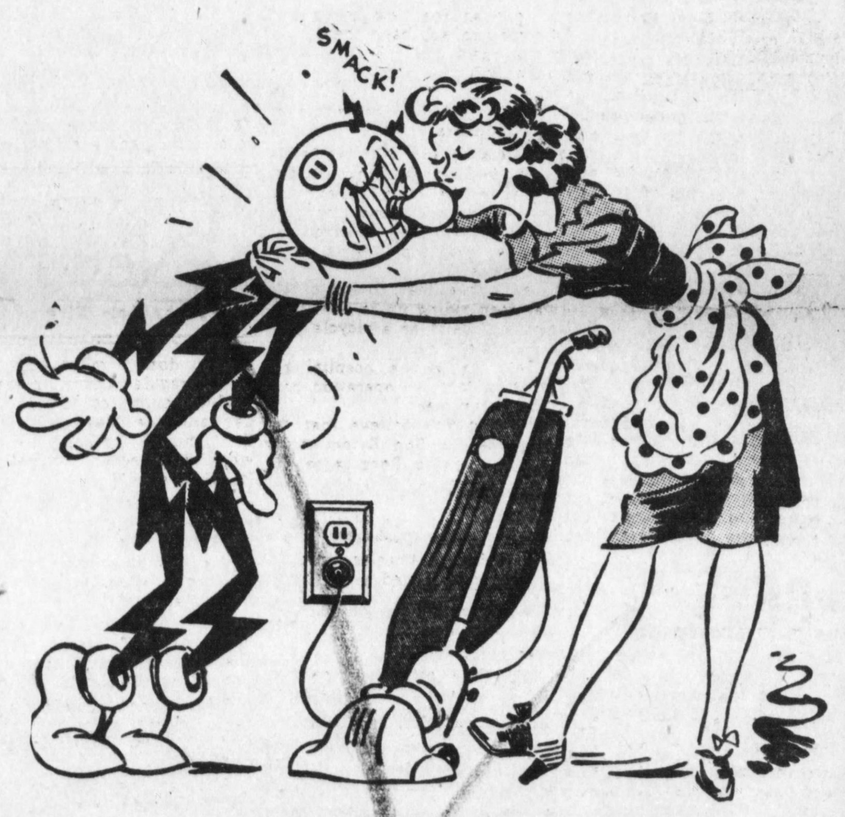

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Seeing Eye—W-O Unit

Did you know we have two members who have the keenest eyes and the most sensitive smellers in the shop? We are referring to Andy Jones, who is retiring from the Executive Committee, and Claude Nadeau, who was just elected to it. These brothers were looking out of the window of 110 Bldg. and saw smoke spiraling up from a car in parking lot No. 3. Rushing across the boulevard, they got a whiff of smoke that told them it was clothing burning. They opened the doors of said car and pitched the cushions out on the ground and called the fire truck manned by Stanley Pawlicki and Guard Erswell. The fire was quickly put out. Frank Nearhood of Dept. 268 owned the car. The moral of this little story is, "Take good care of your eyesight and always wear eye protection while working in the factory."

Our old friend, Chas. Dietsche, who used to buy postcards from far and near places around Toledo and gave them to friends to mail from distant counties has a new fad of wearing straw hats in the winter time and a cap with ear laps in summer.

Why take chances? Life is too short to jeopardize your health and yourself from injuries. If in need of safety equipment, get in touch with Claude Hess, who is going to be your full time safety man beginning April 21st.

Have you joined the PAC? You should do so at once and help preserve your Union from those who are trying to destroy it.

The members of the Willys Unit offer their sympathy to the families of Bros. John Woods, Dept. 242; Frank White, Dept. 263; and Geo. Rychner, Dept. 268, who passed away recently.

We wonder how many members know that Val Lewandowski, head of Plant Protection, has acquired another job. He was recently seen directing traffic up near Central Ave., along the railroad track. His equipment consisted of one tin whistle that he almost swallowed several times when he got excited.

Claude Lance of Dept. 300, is considered one of the best dressed men in the factory with the exception of his shoes which are out of this world!

If you're thinking of buying a boat, contact Hap Malone, Eddie Gray or Clarence DeChant, who are fine boat biulders and fishermen deluxe. We suggest that they acquire land along the south side of the dump for a factory. They could slide the boats down the bank into the creek. To get the boats to the lake is their worry.

A Union belief. Let's all get behind our leaders and build a Union that no one can tear down. Build for tomorrow, so your children can have a good place to work.

Lakeside Unit Chatter

Could it be possible that Tommy Dossin has something to do with the big female turnout at our union meetings on the third Friday of each month?

Tickets for the Lakeside party will soon be on sale. The committee is working hard to make the party a success but they need your help too. Watch for additional announcements.

Delores or "Pinkey" has been trying hard to make a go of it with Jean Goslin. How are things going De?

Pauline from Packing was in an accident. Hope to see her back soon.

We wish the new committee success and will back them with our support.

Lakeside is attempting to organize a softball team which will play under the name "Lakeside Crackers."

Take a tip and laugh at Paul's jokes. For details consult Eddie.

Wahoo, tell us what's so interesting in Lottie's Dept?

Gene Goslin can be hired for window washing. Name your own price.

Is it true that Betty Martin was seen riding up to the Paramount Theatre on a bicycle with a flat tire?

Pearl is in the hospital recovering form an operation performed last week.

And do you believe that the only reasons Bob Eaton comes on the packing floor is to put rosin on the belt.

"We'd rather go to jail than scab on organized labor," declared 30 Los Angeles workers who were picketed by an AFL laborers' union while they were razing on old county building last week. But the 30 had little choice either way. They were prisoners working under the supervision of armed deputy sheriffs.

National Supply Unit News

By "Shorty" Sager

Our new Unit Chairman, Dutch Schliebner, was the first Chairman of our shop, and he did a swell job. Everyone should attend the Unit meeting and back up our new chairman and committee. Keep up the good work Dutch.

AROUND THE SHOP

Louie Bock is the father of twins. Cigars please!

Andy Sheldon is back to work after having a toe amputated. Glad to see you back Andy.

Bob Reilly was elected night Steward in Dept. 43.

After being out of the hospital two weeks, Al Wise broke his ankle coming down the stairs. We wish Al a speedy recovery.

Henry Meyers is the new Steward in the Machine Repair Department.

The two crooners of Dept. 36, Del Bordner and Ted Birchill, swoon the boys every morning with Breakfast Club theme song.

We suggest that Jim Davis, Oiler Helper, should have his wife put limburger cheese in his lunch so he can have better results in tracking it down.

Earl Wise was reelected Steward in the Housekeeqing Dept.

Charley Zak, Dept. 36, nearly broke his back trying to pick up a penny on April Fool's Day.

Mike Fox was reelected Steward, days, Dept. 43.

Notice to all fishermen! Anyone wanting to rent an outboard motor, weight 30 4/5 oz., H. P. ½x9/13, please contact Art Wise Dept. 43. Motor rented only on these conditions: Water must be dry, must carry 30 passengers to keep speed under control, as the boat is not larger than 5½ ft. Corny, isn't it?

Walter Hauser, Dept. 25, has left the plant to go in business. We wish him the best of luck.

Charley Beaufrey is home from the hospital and appreciates everything the boys from the shop have done for him. If any of you boys happen to be driving in the vicinity of McClure, Ohio stop in and see Charley.

Ayling Reichert News

by Lois King

What does it mean when one of our regular church goers attended church on Easter Sunday and the plaster fell from the church ceiling? Wonder what would occur if some other folks attended?

A noisy pest in Bessie Blase who makes signs to be read when she can't be heard.

If you look real close you will observe that Laura Gladieux is also in the car that the young man drives. They sit so close it looks like one person.

Fred Welty really had something and it wasn't a mirage.

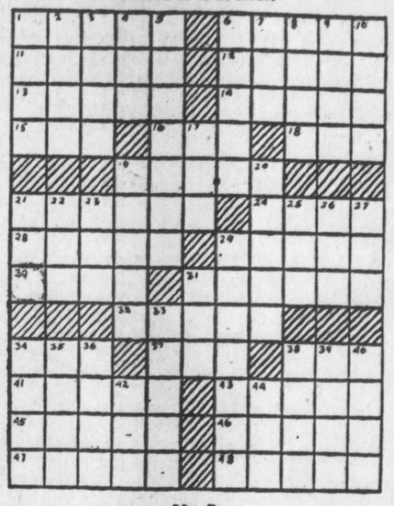
Ruth Caddahan bought a new vanity to see if the new beauty rest mattress was doing its stuff.

Birthday celebrations, even your husband's, are tough, says Vivian Little.

Madge has made friends with the ice cream she brings in from Freddies. But wait until the hot weather comes.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Solution in Next Issue.



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Airway Unit Airings

It seems everybody enjoyed the Easter holidays, by the looks of the shop Monday morning. Too many eggs?

It sure is nice to see Frank the night timekeeper back on the job after his sickness.

It seems a certain foreman thought he was going to get by the night steward Jack Burtscher Jr., but our Jackie stood pat.

Rumors are the boys in the machine shop are starting to wear saddles and halters because a foreman likes to ride them. Don't let it happen.

With the spring weather here all you can hear is fishing trips. Let's tell about the ones we catch this year, not the ones that got away.

It seems the mixer and kit depts. still want to be by themselves. Come on folks join the rest of the depts.

What happened to Big Al's cake? He tells us he used Swansdown but the only catch was that it was pancake flour instead of cake flour.

Where was Frank Monday? To many Easter eggs, or ham?

Whitie has a terrible time trying to ring out. It seems he never finds the clock.

Who is the girl from Kit Dept. who claims she got a burnt chin while frying liver? We all know different, so how about an explanation Virgie?

Who is the fellow that takes a cigar from a friend and then rushes to the office and gives it to one of the company officials. Could it be O. G. better known as Gozdowski?

Captain John Konwinski sure is full of smiles since the team got a high score bowling Saturday. Pete Bronkie and Marty Emerson pepped the team up with their cheering section.

We all wonder if the wise old Owl ever came back to Auburn Ave. to roost?

Who is the girl in Dept. 11, who always has a smile for everyone? Keep it up Annie. We all like it.

The Acklinite

By Martin Bachli

Some of our people have really been shocked lately at how clean the shop has been the past week. Since "Smokey" has injured his arm, he is serving as overseer of the clean-up squad and is doing a real job of it.

Chairman Frank Young has just got himself a new cement mixer, and the critics all claim that he had better look over the classy maroon colored job one of the floor helpers is driving to work. Seems we ought to all go on floor help.

Bill Lockwood, better known as "Peanuts", underwent an emergency operation the past week. Carl Rapendahl and Tony Urbaniak acted as blood donors for him. We all hope for a quick recovery.

Bill Rusel from the die shop suffered a heart attack last week. If you can spare the time pay these boys a visit.

The only one we found who had no gripe about the lunch service was the fellow who bought a sandwich in order to use the meat as a feeler guage in order to check his spark plugs.

Louis Guilo from the steel room passed out the cigars. He is the proud papa of an eight-pound bambino.

After seeing the hot job done labor this past week in the Ohio Senate in passing Senate Bill 112, we feel that no time should be lost in joining PAC.

Union Rejects Suspect

NEW YORK (LPA) — Singer Kirsten Flagsted will not be restored to full membership in the American Guild of Musical Artists — because of charges that she did nothing to oppose the Nazi's occupation of her native Norway. Her husband, at the time of his death last year, was under prosecution for treason. The AGMA has issued a working permit to Miss Flagstad for her current concert tour because the Norwegian charges have not been substantiated.

Ragging the Scale

Elsie Jay

We are glad to report that George Hentges is finally able to be back on the job as inspector after serving in the armed forces followed by a long seige in the hospital.

We are also glad to see "Shorty" Davo ringing his card again. Nine months off for trying to paint a garage hardly seems worthwhile as a saving.

Brother Bill Kenny has his tough luck, too. Due to his sister being in the hospital and the illness of his mother at the same time, he has had to lose several days himself. Here's a wish for good luck to your family, Bill.

We expect to see Ed Martin's waistline shrink now that he is on the drill press that has brought Don of the second shift down to a ton!

Bud Bradburns has a hairdo that is the envy of all the boys in Heat Treat.

Yaro Hendricks of Inspection has come through with the excuse for absenteeism that is the masterpiece. He called in and in a quavering voice said that he wouldn't be in because he had to be a pallbearer at a wedding.

Vern Wagner of 7-L spent quite a few wasted minutes hunting for a fire drill for some hard castings. And when they gave him a bucket of water, after chasing him to all the department heads in the plant, his face was slightly rosy.

If Don Lewis has that expectant look in his eye, the reason is that the Lewis' are infanticipating.

Our sincere condolences to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Sperr, on the loss of Mrs. Sperr's brother.

The nite shift wishes to ask Mr. Davis and the cooks to keep the good food coming. They enjoy it.

Alice, of Finish Grind, claims to have discovered that John Haynes is no other than Drippy Nose's brother.

Pete Martin becomes 71 years young April 15th. Congratulations.

There will be fewer widows' tears, fewer homes broken and lost, less juvenile delinquency. America will be stronger. If you want to put a dollar sign on all this, just say that raising the price on a worker's life will sustain the market for goods and labor. Decency will pay dividends.

Bingham Unit Bingoes

All Bingham employes are cordially invited to attend the Unit party at the O-Ton-Ta Lagrotto, 3015 Detroit Ave. Saturday April 26 at 8:00 p. m.

That button you saw flying around the shop was from the vest of the proud father, Jim Czerniak. He's proud of a 6-lb. 13 oz. boy. Both mother and son are doing nicely, thank you.

Ma Ballard is starting a photo shop, or is it her husband. We notice a lot of girls going there to have their pictures taken.

Remember the next Unit meeting, so we advise you to be there.

Join The Credit Union

The reason for that tired look on Bill Weston was a wedding he took in over the week end. That makes for a bad Monday. And the same to Bernice P.

Newsprint Squeeze Tightens

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA)—The newsprint squeeze on labor papers and other smaller publications grew tighter last week following announcement in Montreal, Canada, that International Paper Sales Co., one of the gaints of the industry, planned to boost prices $6 a ton. It was considered inevitable that the rest of the industry would follow suit.

Parents' Magazine Workers Strike

NEW YORK (LPA) — In demand for recognition of the Book & Magazine Guild-CIO as bargaining agent, union members at Parents' Institute Inc., publishing house which issues Parents Magazines, Calling All Girls, True Comics, and other publications, have struck. The union claims that more than half of the 550 employes involved are on strike, or have refused to cross picket lines.

Foremen Break With Ford

DETROIT (LPA) — A strike of Ford foremen, members of the independent Foremen's Association of America, looms as a result of cancellation of the three-year-old contractual relations between FAA and the Ford Motor Co. Ford charged the union with unauthorized strikes, the union listed basic grievances involving reclassifications, retirement without consulting the union, shift differentials, and overtime pay.

Congress' Top Union-Wrecker Frightens NAM

WASHINGTON, April 16 (LPA)—The first thing that hits yor eye when you walk into the spacious offices of Representative Clare Hoffman (R., Mich.) is a huge framed picture layout hanging on the wall.

The pictures show strike violence, each photograph bloodier than the previous one. They show men being beaten with clubs, some with their faces battered, some lying unconscious on railroad tracks.

The pictures have a title, probably written by Mr. Hoffman: "Peaceful Picketing, Or The Gentle Art of Persuasion."

You go into Hoffman's private office and you find the same picture layout there. That establishes the mood of any interview with Hoffman, especially if it's on Hoffman's pet theme of Congressional legislation to wreck the trade union movement.

Looks Like Rogers

The 72-year-old Hoffman, now in his seventh term in Congress, has deceptive facial resemblance to the late Will Rogers. The similarity ends there. Where Will Rogers had a affable,, easy-going drawl, Hoffman snarls.

Hoffman is the "dream-man" of the nation's labor-hating employers because he cannot be lumped with the southern crackpots and screwballs in Congress. But the truth is that Hoffman is such a fanatic where labor legislation is concerned that even the NAM and the Chamber of Commerce hesitate to endorse his extreme proposals.

Gives His Views

Hoffman admitted in an interview last week that "a lot of my views are in the final bill" prepared by the House Labor Committee. He was probably modest.

"Go to my testimony; you'll get my views," Hoffman told a reporter. He was asked whether he thought there was a possibility of a Truman veto of the anti-labor legislation.

"I don't know and I don't care," Hoffman exclaimed. "I don't think it's any of President Truman's business what we write or don't write."

Not only is itnone of President Trman's business but it's none of labor's business either, he made clear.

A world's record for rotational speed was claimed last week by General Electric, which announced it had whirled at 123,000 revolutions per minute. We got news for GE. That record doesn't even compare with what happened to a group of union negotiators last year when they had to listen to GE's profit-and-pay-scale arguments.

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The Fresno (Cal.) Labor Citizen quotes an official of the electricians' union as saying that union men should not play juke boxes or pin ball machines that don't carry the union label. In that connection, the same official said, "union men should refuse to accept traffic tickets because the typos' bug isn't on them."

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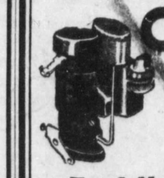

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From Hero to Heel

In the short space of 20 months that has elapsed since the ending of the war, labor has run the complete gamut from highly praised hero to hapless heel.

Praised by the president and commended by generals of the Army, admirals of the Navy, the heads and peoples of other nations and even by some of the more liberal employers for their feats of production, labor welcomed the end of hostilities in the hope and belief that it had proved its right to full partnership in the affairs of the nation.

But almost immediately following the close of the war, the situation began to change and is still changing. Labor which sought to secure a speedy reconversion to peacetime production was impeded at every turn.

Greedy and self-seeking monopolists grasping upon the change in our situation from one of required large-scale production to the slower tempo of peace, took full advantage of their situation to slowdown the industrial change-over secure in the knowledge that their profits were guaranteed for many months.

Not only did the big industrialists stage a slowdown, but they rejected every wage demand made by labor, while mounting prices and curtailed income created the crisis which big business hoped would place the workers at a disadvantage.

When every other means failed to secure the higher wages which labor required in order to live at even a minimum standard, the unions were forced to make use of their economic power. Great strikes involving many thousands of workers occured in steel, auto, electric, glass, oil and other industries and provided the propagandists of big business with the biggest opportunity they had had in many months.

Every means of public communication was used by the National Association of Manufacturers and its highly paid publicists. Through the newspapers, magazines, public speakers and air waves there poured such a torrent of clever and not-so-clever propaganda that the public was nearly overwhelmed.

Nor was the campaign of hate and villification a failure. A combination of events, from the death of President Roosevelt, to a new and blundering administration, and the deluge of anti-labor propaganda occasioned by the railroad and coal strikes, set the scene for the elections of 1946 in which reaction found itself in the saddle with what it conceived to be a mandate to "regulate" labor.

Yes, labor has been from the top to the bottom. It has won the plaudits of presidents and the damnation of the NAM. It has been decorated for its miracle of production and cursed for stalling production. It has suffered the indignities heaped upon it by reactionary managements because of its wartime no-strike pledge, and the enmity and hatred of big industry and reactionary politicians for daring to use its right to strike in peacetime.

And now, as the supreme reward for its wartime record, it is about to be handcuffed, "regulated", and if possible, destroyed by those who seem to be under the impression that their restrictive and vengeful laws are a continuation of the nations' defense against its enemies.

Let those whose vision is so small that they believe destroying the rights of labor will benefit them and those they serve consider well their actions and remember the words of the great American, Lincoln:

"That which benefits labor, benefits the nation. That which harms labor, harms the nation."

If you don't think the Republicans are steering us into a period of unpreceednted prosperity as they promised in their campaign speeches just ponder these two items:

Two nationally known economists, in separate articles in the April issue of Cosmopolitan, find themselves in disagreement on the coming depression. Beardsley Ruml predict it for April, 1947. Edward R. Dewey predicts it in 1950. And the New York Journal of Commerce reported in a two-column headline:

Rising Pawn Shop Boom Declared
Just A Case of Normalcy Redeemed.

One of the first things the strikebound Bell telephone companies did throughout the country was to throw a curtain of secrecy around the number of strikebreakers and so-called supervisory employes they were able to hire. In some sections this hush-hush policy became ridiculous. When a newspaper reporter called the telephone company and asked, "Is your information service still operating?" the very nervous voice on the other end of the line said, "I'm sorry, we are not allowed to give out that information.

Women and The Union

by Louise R. McNaught

The Women of this Union should view with a critical eye the laws that are in the making in this land of ours. What they will mean to us when instituted and how they will affect our every day living. Will they change our standards, improve or endanger our security? As a sex we are still referred to as a minority group, even in this modern day and age.

A grand Gal passed on recently—Carrie Chapman Catt. A woman who in her generation had the intestinal fortitude to fight and pioneer for Woman's Sufferage and left behind her a great heritage which so many women carelessly ignore or do not employ for their own safe guard.

It is only when we are confronted with a "Grave Crisis do we realize we've been shackled by our own indifference to what goes on in the world around us. Then we cry to the high heavens, discrimination: and have to fight with fury because we forgot to vote or voted badly.

The House last week passed the Cowalk bill which was supposed to modify and liberalize the existing Female Code. The benefits, if any, does not give merit to a bill so shot with loop holes that future negotiations of new contracts probably will result in unexpected wages and hours problems even in plants where women are protected with a union or closed shop.

If you regard the measure with little or no concern, you still are responsible for your daughters and sisters who upon graduating this Spring will flock by the thousands to fill these jobs under the various trades and professions that will yield to the relaxation of this trumped up piece of legislation affecting women's future in the working world. I know of no better way for you women to learn first hand Politics in the Making, than by attending the Legislature Clinic at City Council Chambers Saturday afternoon 2 P. M. April 19 th.

Experts will tell you how these laws are shaped up,the Sponsors of the Bills, the influences behind the lobbyist, and what you can do to intercept their passage. Its a date. April Defend Labor.

I believe in women, when once they become interested in a cause or project, when they realize the seriousness of any given situation they will roll up their sleeves and attack the problem with the thoroughness and diligence with which most women are endowed.

The women realize the scandalous practices in the food industry. When they get tired of paying fabulous prices for food in an ungraded labeled can they will protest famous brand cereals which are under packaged and under weight. Protest candy sold to children manufactured under questionable health standards.

The things will begin to look up when women investigate living costs and their relation to our well being. When are we going to demand cleaner radio entertainment for our children.

When are we going to recommend standards of educational value that will be minus vice, arsenic, double-cross, and other vulgar suggestions that blast out their vicious influence on the younger listening audience of America.

At Amsterdam, N. Y., the first factory laundry service was put into operation by the Mohawk Carpet Mills, Inc. The clothes-washing service, according to the N. Y. Times, was started "as a move to reduce absenteeism among feminine personnel." The picture was a little puzzling at first but even after we had it figured out it was hard to understand how they could operate those machines wearing carpets.

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Last week was National Laugh Week but that gave us no clue whatever to this ad in the Communist Daily Worker "Seeing's Believing — Dr. Levberg puts people asleep with hypnosis. Better come early. Progressive Forum, 13 Astor Place. Dancing, 63c."

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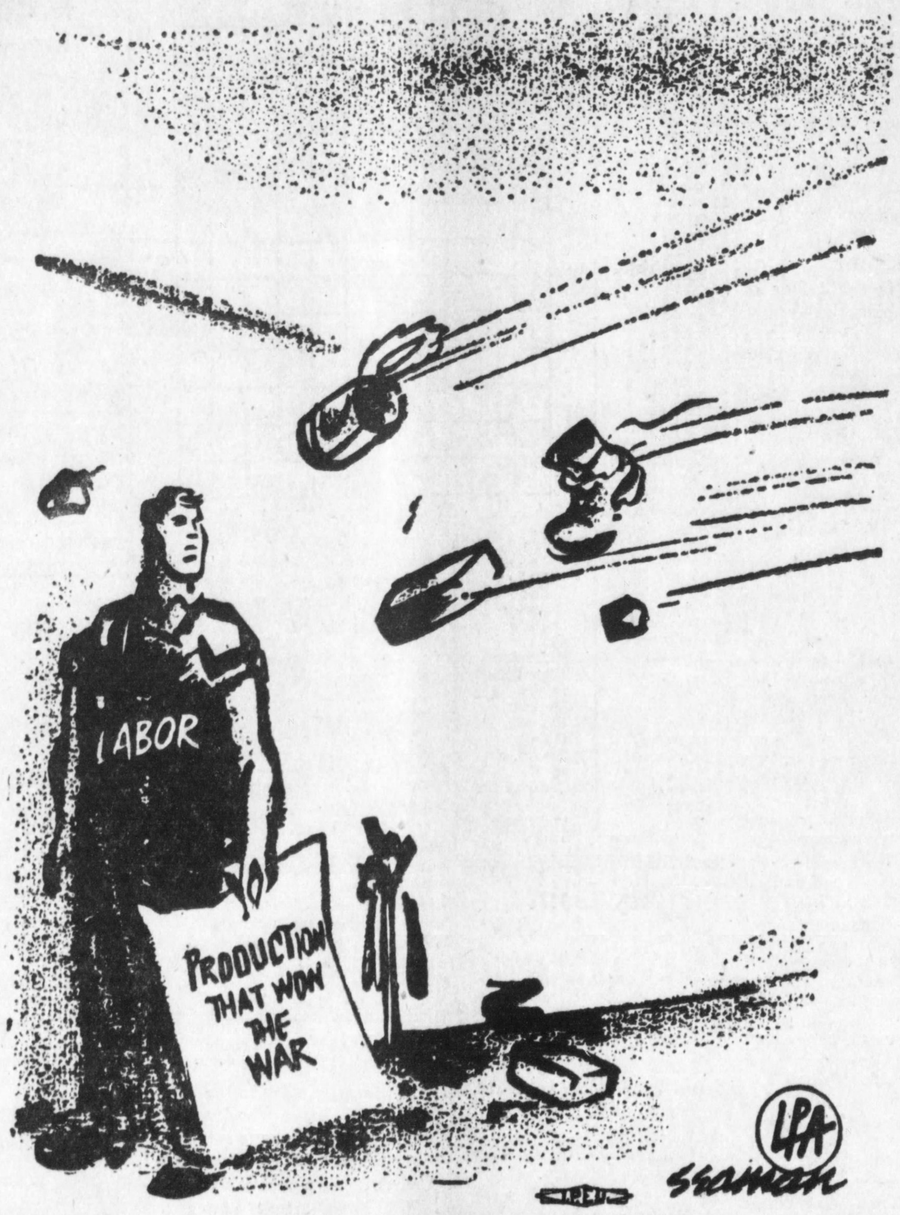
The Indiana state legislature set an example last week that other state legislatures might well follow. It set aside consideration of anti-labor legislation to discuss a new bill which prohibits anyone from carrying atomic bombs around the state. And so help us Lilienthal, the bill survived charges that its author, Senator Charles Fleming "had been reading too many comic strips" and was moved up for a third reading!

The Payoff



It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

Are you in the doghouse?

Does your wife greet you with an icy stare and significant silence? Is your boss sarcastic and nasty because the inspector junked some of your mistakes? Does your mother-in-law pass you on the street and refuse to speak? Have you earned the dislike of a lot of your lodge brothers because you joined the wrong caucus?

Think nothing of it brother, but consider the case of Henry A. Wallace whose English speaking junket has made a lot of people mad as hell and determined to read him out of the party, out of his passport, out of countenance, and out, period.

One thing that you can't take away from Wallace—he has awakened some very interesting situations here as a result of his English trip.

Regardless what you may think of Wallace, and it is obvious that the Democrats, Republicans, newspapers and other "disinterested" people want you to think he is an unmitigated heel, an ingrate, an unpatriotic, indiscreet, disloyal, treasonable wretch, he seems to have hit a sensitive spot that is not explained by what you read in the papers or by what Senators Vandenberg, Taft et al have had to say on the subject.

SUSPICION

The very fact that Wallace's statements have aroused so much sound and fury in so many widely different interests is enough to arouse the suspicion that maybe Wallace is hitting some rather tender spots, and that there is more involved than meets the eye.

Believe me, there must be something more than alleged disloyalty to party and country to arouse Vandenberg, Taft and others of their type to even wanting to take away the right of free speech from a fellow American.

Actually, the real fact of the matter seems to be that Wallace is using free speech to tell the truth as he sees it, and that's really bad. You are only supposed to tell the truth when nice, pleasant, flattering things are said. But the naked truth, the bright white light of truth when directed at some at the more unsavory things of life is awful, especially when it hits the interests of some of our more practical citizens.

If Wallace has accomplished nothing else, and there might conceivably be innocent people who think he is completely wrong, he has demonstrated the solidarity of interests which exists between the Democrats and Republicans and the people who want to save the world, including its oil and other resources.

One of Mr. Wallace's greatest faults seems to be that he has not only discovered the foot under which the nickel is hiding, but, and this is the unpardonable sin, he spoke right out in open meeting about it.

And the Democrats and Republicans who are so solicitous for the peepul, liberty, freedom, life, the pursuit of happiness and all that sort of thing, are worried. They are worried not only about how much Mr. Wallace knows, but, horror of horrors, about how much Mr. Wallace will talk and tell what he knows.

This is the reason why Mr. Vandenberg, Mr. Taft, the oil interests and other servants and benefactors of the plain peepul are rushing hither and thither to stop Wallace. Stop Wallace for the moment has become an even more important problem than stopping the Communists.

BELLY LAUGH

But, and this is where the belly laugh comes in, the public benefactors, lovers of peace, international business interests and their tools, stooges and other lackeys have made a serious error. They have overplayed their hand and tipped their mitt by the vigor and volume of their protestations. Somewhere in all this mess of verbiage, written and spoken, as well as the cartoons which have sought to laugh Mr. Wallace out of court, there is a hidden nickel, and the boys know it, and they know that Henry knows it, too.

People are beginning to get a faint suspicion there is something putrid in the Danish state. They are trying to figure out just why Henry Wallace has become public enemy No. 1. They wonder why Mr. Taft should suddenly become so anxious to protect the President's "prestige."

Eventually, murder will out. It always has and it always will. If its patriotism or petroleum, that will out. If its smokescreen to cover the nefarious practices of big business by centering an attack on a scapegoat, that will out. Sooner or later, we think that Mr. Wallace will have demonstrated himself a better citizen and patriot than those who are now attempting to kill him off.

Those who want to condemn Mr. Wallace have the right of free speech which they would like to remove from Wallace. As for me, I'll take a little salt, please.

Washington Labor Report

What price a wage-earner's life?

(16,500 workers lost their lives in fatal industrial accidents in 1946)

What price for a lost finger, an arm, an eye, a foot or leg, or lungs scarred with dust or burned by fumes and gases?

(There were 2,063,100 disabling industrial accidents in 1946, an increase of 2% over 1945.)

The questions come up again because:

1—The House Appropriations Committee has recommended the abolition of the Division of Labor Standards in the U. S. Labor Department. The Division's major crime, in the committee's eye, was promotion of health and safety work in the states. The House voted abolition with a whoop and holler.

2—The State of New York, after 12 years in which workmen's compensation payments for the incurable and deadly disease of silicosis (miners' or stone-cutters' lungs) have been stepped up gradually, has now put such payments on the same scale used for other disabling diseases and accidents.

3—The buck-passing (federal to state to Krug and back again) of responsibility for the Centralia mine disaster.

The answer to the question, "What price a wage-earner's life?" is this:

It all depends.

It depends on the state in which the industrial accident or fatality occurs. If you're going to get hurt or killed on the job, you'll do well to pick your state carefully.

EXAMPLE

In New York or Wisconsin, for example, a worker's life, or any part of his body or working faculties, is worth at least twice as much as in less industrialized states where organized labor is as yet too weak politically to persuade state legislatures to set decent valuations. This difference was certainly true of New York and Kansas in 1936, and may be today. In addition, under the Kansas law, the injured worker had to prove that he didn't hurt himself because of his own negligence.

This crazy checkboard pattern of state values put on a wage earner's life and earning ability results in literally bloody competition among the 48 states and among employers. The insurance premium rate per $100 of payroll paid by the employer is naturally higher in states that require high workmen's compensation payments for industrial injuries, disabilities and death; it is lowest where worker's lives are cheapest in the workmen's compensation schedules.

We have a federal minimum wage law to put a floor under payrolls, but no federal floor under workmen's compensation payments made in lieu of wages. There, cutthroat competition still prevails.

This is just dandy, says the House Appropriation Committee, and the whole House shouts "Amen." Industrial safety, these wise men explain is none of the federal government's business.

One of these years, if the atomic war is held off, we may get around to doing something fundamental about reducing the ghostly army of 16,500 workers who have marched to death each year. For example:

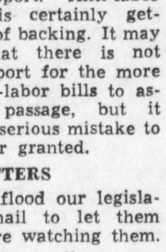
1—Put workmen's compensation on some part sort of federal basis, perhaps by federal grants-in-aid for states reaching certain minimum standards of compensation, safety, etc. Why not? Accidents are part of interstate commerce, as are wages and collective bargaining.

2—Amend Senator O'Mahoney's old bill for the federal licensing of corporations to require (a) certain minimum standards of safety, including the proposal that all new machines, materials, chemicals and processes shall be safety-tested before being put into commercial use and (b) furnishing of certain statistics as a matter of course, instead of on the present courtesy basis which gives the co-operating employers a club over the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

3—In coal mining, put responsibility for mine safety squarely on the federal government and give the federal inspectors power to enforce their recommendations.

Do these things and there will be less blood on the things we eat and wear and burn.

Behind the Scenes In Politics



by Clayton Rusch
Chairman Political Action Committee

There are many currents of world wide importance. The event I wish to discuss today is a local, but nevertheless an important event.

I am referring to the legislative clinic which is scheduled to take place in the City Council Chambers of the Safety Bldg. on Saturday, April 19th at 2 P. M.

The legislators from Lucas County have agreed to be present and listen to the views of their constituents. There is no activity sponsored by the labor movement of more importance than projects which have for their purpose to let our legislators know our desires in the way of laws.

Social legislation at the present time is getting little if any support. Anti-labor legislation is certainly getting plenty of backing. It may be true that there is not enough support for the more vicious anti-labor bills to assure their passage, but it would be a serious mistake to take this for granted.

WRITE LETTERS

We must flood our legislators with mail to let them know we are watching them.

We must see that open meetings such as the one scheduled for this Saturday are well attended.

Representatives of the labor movement spend time and effort going to Washington and Columbus to see the legislators. The Union spends our dough to send our representative before the legislative bodies. If we wish such delegations to have any effect, we must show the legislators that our people are keeping their eye on them.

This Saturday will be a good time to demonstrate this.

Let us all resolve here and now to do all we can to assure a large attendance. Time—Sat., April 19th 2 P. M. Place—City Council chambers of the Safety Bldg.

ELECTIONS

The elections will be upon us before we realize it. In order to build an effective Ward and Township organization, which can get out the vote on election day we must have a large and active membership in PAC.

Membership in PAC is only one dollar per year and includes membership in the county, state and national PAC as well as your neighborhood ward or township club. If you are not a member see the PAC representative in your local or shop or come to our office at 425 Winthrop St. and join now. Then become active in our crusade to save our economic gains and move forward to full protection of civil liberties and economic security for all.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

I want to use this space this week to appeal to every worker in our shops to go to the Safety Building Saturday afternoon to the meeting which will be held there between CIO and our elected representatives to the state legislature.

This meeting is important because it will give us an opportunity to talk directly to the people who represent us in Columbus and because it will be proof to them of our concern with the kind of laws which they are now considering.

I fully realize that not all who will attend the meeting will either want to talk or be given an opportunity to expess their feelings about the legislation in which we are interested, but their presence at the meeting will have a good effect on our representatives and let them know that we are interested in what they are doing.

TAFT BILL

On Monday morning, the City Council will have a resolution presented to it asking Congress not to pass the Taft-Hartley bill which would stand in the way of collective bargaining, union security and the right to strike.

Since this bill would interfere most seriously with the unions and threaten their very life, I think that every union member who can possibly do so should go to the Council meeting and by their voice and presence show our Council that they are interested in their own interests and want the moral support of their city officials.

It is my opinion that we must turn out to show our interest in the things that concern us, now more than ever. Had the election been different last fall, it might not be as important as it is now to show our elected officials that we have at last awakened and mean to do something about the legislation which is being considered in Columbus and Washington.

The only thing that is left for us to do now is to turn out for meetings such as Saturday's and next Monday's and write letters and post cards to our elected officials. Having done that and shown that we are watching the action of our representatives, we can only await the next election when we will be given another opportunity to undo the damage which was done last fall when so many failed to exercise their right to vote.

Let us show our solidarity and interest in our own welfare. NOW.

From The Desk of Melvin Schultz

Local 12, UAW-CIO President,

I have read with a great deal of interest of the Henry Wallace affair. I have noted that the Daily Press stated Mr. Walace accused the politicians and diplomats of our Country of embarking on an imperialistic program.

I also listened to a discussion by four senators on the topic of aiding Greece and Turkey which was a debate put on the radio direct from Washington. Mr. Wallace undoubtedly is better informed and has a much better background for analyzing the moves of these politicians and diplomats but; nevertheless, I would have to disagree with some of his statements if they are properly reported in the Press.

I certainly feel that the welfare of the people within the boundaries of our Country will be effected if our Country does not promote a better way of life for all of the workers throughout the world. I can agree on the one point however, namely; that the moneys expended by this Country in foreign lands and the technical knowledge which is furnished by this Country should only be such funds and such knowledge as will promote peace and industrial production of peacetime items. Certainly, with this investment by our Country, inspectors must make sure that the funds are expended in the manner in which the appropriation is approved. These inspectors, however, should not be military men.

The question of our standards of living here at home today is at stake if we permit working people throughout the world to be forced into a modernistic slave condition which would produce products in cheap competition to our own factories or which would produce an army and the weapons to physically conquer our Country. I feel certain that such military might as may be necessary to match any similar assembled military might can be achieved within the boundaries of our Country and need not be placed in the hands of people in foreign lands who could possibly be induced to use weapons furnished by us against us at some future date. There certainly should be a strict ban on furnishing of arms and ammunition from our factories to any foreign powers. If it is possible to produce Gold from circulating in the hands of the average citizen, then certainly the guns and ammunition which the so-called Greek Terrorists possess can be removed from their hands.

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Maugham's Characters Brought To Film Life By Six Top Stars

The task of making characters of a novel come alive on the screen is one of the most challenging a producer must face, according to Darryl F. Zanuck, vice-president in charge of production for Twentieth Century-Fox. This was especially true of W. Somerset Maugham's "The Razor's Edge," which opened this week at the Paramount Theatre. By meticulous casting Mr. Zanuck realized he could achieve from the fascinating, unorthodox story a significant cinema masterpiece.

"I was more concerned with finding personalities who would ideally suit the parts of the six complex principal characters in 'The Razor's Edge' than I was in merely electing top screen tars who could promise drawing power," Mr. Zanuck explains. "I was determined that the players selected should unquestionably fit the challenging roles for which they were cast."

Mr. Zanuck chose Tyrone Power to portray the idealistic role of Maugham's central character, Larry Darrell, disillusioned, deep-thinking ex-World War I flyer. The obvious comparison, he knew, would be that both Power and Darrell were aviators; Power, at the time, was still a Marine Corps transport pilot. The role would be his first since he enlisted as a private four year earlier. But beyond that, there were many facets of Darrell's character that seemed to be custom-tailored for Power. Even Maugham, when he learned who was enacting the part, exclaimed: — "Wonderful! He really is Larry Darrell."

To cast players for the parts of the beguiling, love-mad, selfish Isabel; wealthy Gray Maturin; loving, then dipsomaniac and degenerate Sophie; Elliott Templeton, the society snob; and the author himself, an entirely different problem presented itself. The characters were complex and diversified, and the actors elected, it was realized, had to be able to convincingly put themselves in the places of the author's exciting personalities.

For Isabel, Zanuck chose glamorous Gene Tierney, herself a society girl who had always been accustomed to the type of life Isabel had led.

John Payne was selected to play Gray Maturin imply because he seemed to personify the typical representative of a wealthy young American who, whil being rich could not be clasified as strictly the playboy type.

Perhaps the most difficult role to perform in the film was that of Sophie. It was likewise the most difficult to cast. After many exhaustive tests, it was decided that Anne Baxter, one of the most sober girls in the movie colony, would be given the complex role of Sophie.

In striking contrast to Sophie, Clifton Webb was chosen to enact the part of Elliott Templeton, the supercilious sophisticate whose life was caught up with the Parisian, London and Riviera social whirl. Webb, known as the best screen and stage exponent of sophistication, fitted into the role perfectly.

Herbert Marshall, who was given the task of assuming Maugham's personality because he possessed the charm, dignity and reserve of years of culture, confessed it was his most difficult part. The reason: Maugham was present to oberve Marshall's performance. So the star told the writer: "I am playing the Maugham in the book, not the Maugham I know."

Pillar Of Fire

Talented and terrific is Cyd Charisse whose expert dancing won considerable acclaim before she entered pictures. Now, under the aegis of M-G-M, the beautiful Miss Charisse plays leading roles in two new films, "Fiesta" and "The Unfinished Dance," revealing a natural acting ability that will make her a candidate for stardom.

Displaying Her Points

Marilyn Maxwell makes a lovely dart thrower, and something about the stance indicates a high degree of accuracy. The beauteous Marilyn, who knows how to behave on a houseboat, will soon be seen with Mickey Rooney in M-G-M's technicolor Musical, "Summer Holiday."

VAN TURNS CARPENTER

HOLLYWOOD—Van Johnson turned carpenter and built bookshelves for the living room of his new home. The actor, currently starring with June Allyson in "High Barbaree," installed the five-foot shelves to line the entire living room wall space.

MABEL'S "AFFAIRS"

Mabel Paige has been signed for an important comedy role in support of Lucille Ball and Franchot Tone in Columbia's "Her Husband's Affairs," the Ben Hecht-Charles Lederer story about the advertising business.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Gables Next Timely Story Of Physician

HOLLYWOOD—Clark Gable, who recently completed his role in Frederic Wakeman's best seller novel, "The Hucksters," will be starred in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Homecoming of Ulysses," powerful, timely and significant story of today, written expressly for Gable by Sidney Kingsley, Pulitzer Prize winning playwright.

The new film deals with the readjustments and changed viewpoints of a brillant surgeon on returning to his hometown after serving with a medical unit overseas.

Gable portrays a doctor whose success and personal popularity have made him a community leader. Confident and sure of himself, he lacks understanding of others, and looks upon his patients as cases rather than people. His war experiences bring about a complete change of character, contributing to his development as a human being with a fuller understanding of humanity.

The war background is incidental, the story concentrating on the surgeon's reactions on his return, and the problems which face him. A strong love story is interwoven with the dramatic plot, his conflict between love of the wife he has left at home, and the nurse he meets overseas.

"The Homecoming of Ulysses" is the first original story Kingsley has written for the screen. Among his noted plays are "Dead End," "The Patriots," and "Men in White." The latter was one of Gable's earlier starring film hits.

The new pictre will be produced by Sidney Franklin, whose most recent production was "The Yearling," and whose other successes include "Mrs. Miniver," and "Random Harvest."

Two Oscars On "The Swordsman"

HOLLYWOOD — Two men who received Academy Awards will work together on the scoring of "The Swordsman," Columbia Technicolor action drama which co-stars Larry Parks and Ellen Drew.

They are Morris Stoloff, head of Columbia's music department, whose work on "The Jolson Story" brought him the Oscar for the best scoring of a musical picture, and Hugo Friedhofer, whose work on "The Best Years of Our Lives" won him the Oscar for the best scoring of a dramatic picture.

WRITING "HESPERUS"

After turning in his script of "The Son of Rusty" to Columbia, Malcolm Stuart Boylan was assigned to write the screenplay of the feature to be based on Longfellow's "The Wreck of the Hesperus."

Lawford's Dressing Room Draws Crowd

HOLLYWOOD — Peter Lawford's elegant new dressing room, awarded by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer following his performance in "It Happened in Brooklyn," is wonderful, he says, but for one little thing—it holds too many people sometimes! Twenty-eight were in it the other day.

Between scenes of "Good News," in which Lawford is now working with June Allyson and Joan McCracken, the place bulges with young people holding impromptu jam sessions, with Peter right in the midst of things. Difficulty arises when he needs privacy to study his script. To get it, he repairs to a dark corner of the sound stage and uses an old box for a chair —the only place where he can concentrate.

TITLE CHANGE

"The Millerson Case" is the new title of the film previously called "The Crime Doctor's Vacation", latest of Columbia's "Crime Doctor" series, based on the famous radio character and starring Warner Baxter.

Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn, stars in the M-G-M film Sea of Grass, a story of the "conflict of the late last century between those who sought to monopolize the prairie grasslands for grazing and those who believed the land should be surrendered to the small homesteaders and their plows. Of historic importance in the development and future of our country," says Film Critic John T. McManus.

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation
Sports Editor

Well, another baseball season has rolled around for the fans, and, as usual, many of the openers were called off on account of snow, rain, and other disagreeable elements of the weather.

In Toledo, it looked like the middle of the football season instead of what it was supposed to be. Everything was in readiness for the game between the Mud Hens and the Louisville Colonels, but one of those freak April snow and sleet storms descended on the city and caused postponement of the opener. And a record number of tickets were sold, too.

Birdie Rule

Lee Keyser, president of the Toledo Baseball Co., is very much impressed by the civic interest displayed by the fans of the city. He is sure that, with that kind of enthusiasm and support, every effort will be expended by the parent club, the St. Louis Browns, to bring an American Association pennant winner to Toledo. Mr. Keyser, the fans, and especially those of Local 12, would also welcome and support such a team!

For the Nation's A No. 1 opening game, between Washington and New York, President Truman was all ready to throw the first ball, but it seemed that the Republicans even controlled the weather. Result: rain, no game, and not even a chance for the Democratic President to do a little politicking.

So, the opening day thrills are over and the season is in full swing, so much so that some of the fans are betting on the outcome of the pennant races, picking their dark horse winners, and even buying baseball pool tickets.

Let's all get down to a long and interesting ball season. Go out to see your Local 12 baseball team, the Local 12 softball teams, and the Toledo Mud Hens and help support each so that they may bring honor and glory to your Union and to the City of Toledo.

Get interested in sports!

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Jerry Rigden of the Spicer Unit of Local 12 entered his dachshund, Champion Cricket II of Badger Hill, in the recent dog show promoted by the Toledo Kennel Club. Jerry's dog took first prize in the best of opposite sex to the best of variety class and also the first prize for the best local red dachshund.

Baseball Practice

Manager Joe Schuette, of the Local 12 All-Stars baseball team, announces that a practice session will be held at 1:30 p. m. at Merrill Field. All last year's players and new tryouts are asked to report on time so that Schuette and Coach "Dutch" Schliebner will get a good chance to look over their new players.

The Local 12 All-Stars are entered in the Toledo Amateur Baseball Federation and will play exhibition games with teams from Ohio and Michigan.

Manager Schuette has several of last year's players signed up for the 1947 season, but a wealth of new material will make competition keen for regular places this year.

By the Grapevine

The owl is said to be the only bird whose eyes are built so that both of them point -forward so that they may see straight ahead . . . between 55 and 60 muskrat pelts are needed to make an average sized fur coat . . . Broncho beans or the so-called Mexican jumping beans hop around because they are inhabited by larvae of a certain moth which spin cocoons inside the beans after devouring most of the interior.

Gordon Unit Wins Basketball Title

The Gordon Unit team became the undisputed champions of the Local 12 Basketball League, for the 1947 season, as the Bumper men defeated the Spicer Unit team Monday in the final game of the Round Robin Tournament, by the score of 48 to 37.

The Gordon players turned in one of the finest basketball records for the year, going through the entire season and tournament without losing a game.

By virtue of its clean slate, until the final game, the Spicer Unit team, finished in second place in the Local 12 Basketball League, and in the same position in tournament play.

Len Bode again was high scorer of the game as he collected 16 points for Gordon while Eddie Hill was the spark plug for the Spicerites as he accounted for 12 of his team's points in this closing game of the Local 12 Basketball League.

American Can Unit Ends Bowling Season

The American Can Unit Bowling League closed a very successful season last Monday at the Hagerty Superior Alleys with the standings showing only seven games between the first and sixth place teams.

The Press team, led by Vince Nowak took top honors nosing out Tool Bits by a scant two games. These two teams were followed in order by Production, Cost, Tinplate, Maintenance, Steel Pails and Assembly. High team honors went to Tool Bits who garnered 891 pins in a single game.

In the Ladies Division, the Canco Lugs wrested the top spot from the Swing Spouts by a mere three games and were followed by Merry Bushel and Cover Girls. The Swing Spouts took top single game honors with 758. Pauline Ritchie led the Ladies in averages with 132 and was trailed by Orpha Woodring with 131.

In an effort to make the league an attractive one from the standpoint of prize money the Unit swelled the fund at the close of the season by $125.

The Unit is now aiming at the summer sports and are hopeful of having participants in the Local 12 Golf league and the Softball League.

Boston's Red Sox spoiled a fine record for Spud Chandler of New York last season. Previously holding a lifetime pitching edge over every other American League club, the Yankee star won only one game and lost four to the Red Sox to wind up 1946 with a 12 won and 12 lost lifetime record against the Cronin Champions.

Local 12 Softball League Starts May 12

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Willys Unit Teams Win Bowling Prizes

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All-Stars Are Champs

The Willys-Overland All-Stars copped the actual pinfall title, shooting a 3063 total in the Fourth Annual Region 2-B Bowling Tournament which was held last week at the Bowl-O-Drome alleys. The same team won the actual pinfall title in last year's tourney giving the W-O All-Stars two legs on the beautiful Loew's Valentine trophy, which will be awarded to the winners on April 25.

By bowling a 257 plus, the Willys-Overland Jeepers became the Handicap Champs. The Jeepers had a pinfall of 2730, plus their 327 handicap for a gross total of 3057.

The following is a list of the tournament winners with their over average handicap:

Name	Over Avg. Handicap
Willys All-Stars W-O	263+
Jeepers, W-O	257+
Tol. Pipe Thread, No. 2	214+
Assemblers, W-O	194+
Motor Blocks, W-O	160+
Assembly (Air-Way)	156+
Superior Coach Trim	140+
Mather Spring	102+
Body Eng., W-O	101+
Misc. (Champion)	99+
Toledo Pressed Steel	99+
Factory Acc't., W-O	95+
Steadman's No. 3 W-O	94+
Spicer No. 1	84+
Millwrights, W-O	83+
Welders, W-O	83+
Tol. Pipe Thread No. 5	60+
Cutters (Unitcast)	60+
Layout (Surface-Comb.)	55+
Electricians W-O	43+
Tol. Pipe Thread No. 1	40+
Furnace Room	39+
Threaders, (Champion)	38+
Dorr Bar	35+
Local 106, UAW-CIO	18+
Dura Senators	11+
Sup. Coach Industrial	8+
Forge, W-O	8+
Crankshaft, W-O	7+
Mechanics, W-O	3+
Chassis, W-O	4—
Standard Commutator	7—
W-O Research	8—
Local 106 "W" Team	11—
Gordon Buff	25—
Gordon Maintenance	27—
Design Eng., W-O	32—
Schmidts No. 4 (Spicer)	34—
DeVilbiss Credit Union	36—
Tol. Pipe Thread No. 3	39—
Sheet Metal, W-O	42—

Sports Notes

What is Ireland's national sport?

Hurling (or hurley), similar to hockey but played with a broader stick.

Where did the "Statue of Liberty" football play originate?

Originally credited to Harvard in 1912, recent information credits accidental 1907 play when Vanderbilt's Ray Morrison, holding the ball aloft in his hand, was relieved of it by one of his teammates, who ran on to score.

What major league ball park has the lowest seating capacity?

Cincinnati's Crosley Field—30,210.

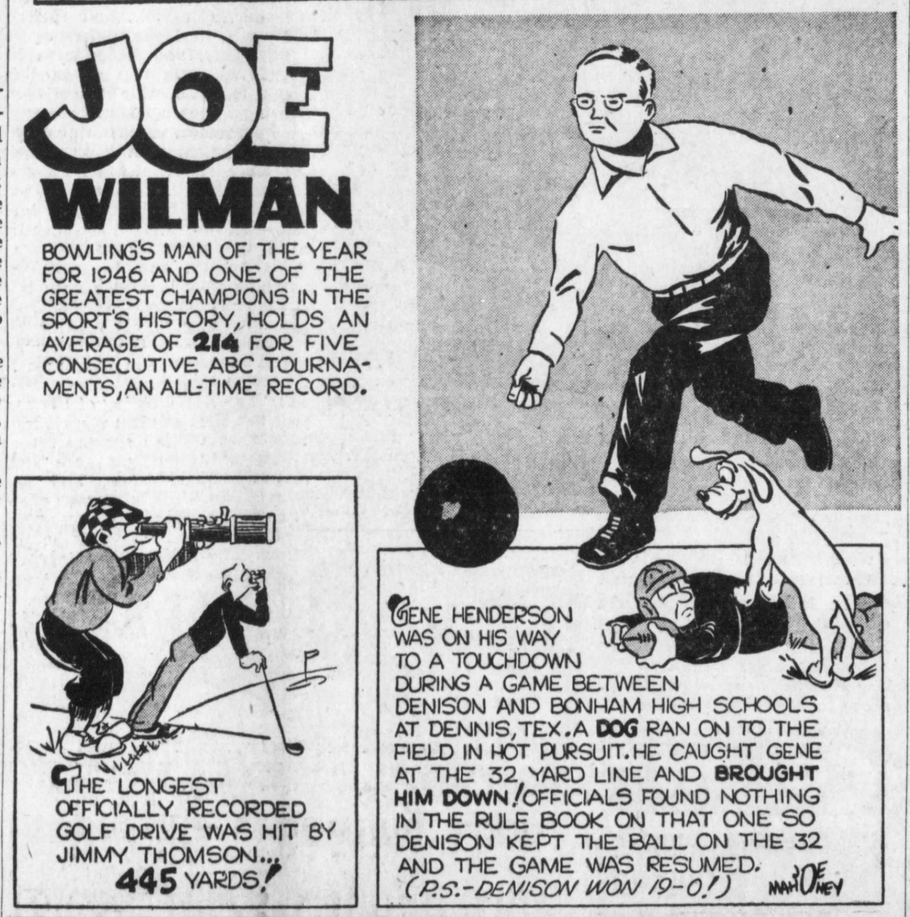
Who wrote baseball's famous poem, "Casey at the Bat"?

Ernest Thayer, a former Harvard student from Worcester, Mass.

How large are field hockey goals?

Seven feet high and twelve feet wide.

SPORTSCOPE By Joe MAHONEY


JOE WILMAN
BOWLING'S MAN OF THE YEAR FOR 1946 AND ONE OF THE GREATEST CHAMPIONS IN THE SPORT'S HISTORY, HOLDS AN AVERAGE OF 214 FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE ABC TOURNAMENTS, AN ALL-TIME RECORD.
THE LONGEST OFFICIALLY RECORDED GOLF DRIVE WAS HIT BY JIMMY THOMSON... 445 YARDS!
GENE HENDERSON WAS ON HIS WAY TO A TOUCHDOWN DURING A GAME BETWEEN DENISON AND BONHAM HIGH SCHOOLS AT DENNIS, TEX. A DOG RAN ON TO THE FIELD IN HOT PURSUIT. HE CAUGHT GENE AT THE 32 YARD LINE AND BROUGHT HIM DOWN. OFFICIALS FOUND NOTHING IN THE RULE BOOK ON THAT ONE SO DENISON KEPT THE BALL ON THE 32 AND THE GAME WAS RESUMED. (P.S.-DENISON WON 19-0!)
JOE MAHONEY

Toledo Tubes Capture Title In Breakfast Bowling Loop

When the Local 12 breakfast league bowlers finished their bowling last Friday it marked the end of a successful season for the six teams doing their kegling before noon each week.

After a heated race most of the season, the Toledo Tubes polished off the Mather Spring A team on the final day to annex the title for the 1946-47 season.

The Mathers finished in second place followed by Spicer, Willys-Overland, Gordon Bumpers and the Mather Spring B team.

Toledo Tubes captured the special prizes for team high three games series and team single game scores. A member of the Tubes, Bud Young blasted in the best high individual series of 662.

High individual single game was won by Benny Zielinski of the Spicer team by compiling a 254.

Geo. Baer of the Mather A team was high average man in this loop with a 172. Benny Zielinski took runner-up honors and Bud Young finished in third place.

In a meeting, which was held after bowling at the conclusion of the league schedule, plans were made by the captains to resume competition next season early in September. Brian Hill, secretary and a member of the Mather Spring B team, revealed that several inquiries were made by various shop bowlers to join this league next season.

On latest reports it was predicted that the Breakfast league next season will be composed of 12 or 16 teams.

The Local 12 Women's league and the Men's Monday night league finished their bowling schedule two weeks ago. These two leagues also discussed plans for next season and to expand both leagues to accommodate more shop teams.

Golf, Too!

NOTRE DAME, Ind., April 18—Notre Dame's golf team will open its home season on Saturday, April 19th against Wisconsin. Against the Badgers Notre Dame has won eight and lost two matches with last year's outing ending in a 13½-13½ deadlock.

The Irish links squad pried the lid off their season at Louisville, Ky., on April 6 when they handed the University of Louisville a 27-9 lacing and tied the University of Kentucky 18-18.

Low man for the Irish for the 36 holes was Jack Fitzpatrick, Akron, Ohio, who carded 71-75-146. Fitzpatrick was a member of Notre Dame's National Collegiate champions in 1944 while a freshman.

All-Champion Boxing Show Takes Shape

Plans for the biggest boxing show ever sponsored by Local 12 UAW-CIO which will bring together all Golden Gloves champions from Toledo and other cities, are now being made, the proceeds from which will be used for the benefit of the Local 12 Children's Summer Camp at Sand Lake, Michigan.

The boxing show will be held at the Civic Auditorium on Friday, May 2 with eight top-notch bouts to be offered to the fight fans of Toledo and vicinity.

The eight recent Golden Gloves winners from Toledo will be pitted against suitable opponents, also Golden Gloves champions from Dayton and Columbus, Ohio. The boxers will be presented with suitable gifts from the Local 12 membership. A large, beautiful boxing trophy, donated by Ray Malone, Toledo sportsman, will be given to the "fightingest fighter selected by the three judges for that purpose.

Tickets for the benefit boxing show are on sale in the Local 12 shops and may be secured from the stewards Local 12 Recreation Department, and also at the usual downtown ticket agencies. Prices for the All-Champion Boxing Show are $1.50 for the reserved section and $1.00 for general admission seats.

The weight of the bowling ball should be more on the left hand than on the right, since the fingers of the righthand are in the ball and putting undue weight on the right hand would tend to cause the grip eto be tightened unnaturally.

Twenty Teams Will Play; Irvine Is Named Manager

The Local 12 Softball League for the 1947 season will get under way on Monday, May 12, with 20 teams entered. There will be two divisions of the league and the four leaders of each will engage in playoffs at the end of the season. The winner of each division will then compete for the Local 12 Softball League championship.

Victor "Scotty" Irvine, member of the Auto-Lite Unit, has been named manager of the Local 12 Softball League for the coming season. "Scotty" is well known in Toledo softball circles, having acted as player and manager for more than twenty years. He has a host of friends among the city's sports fans and possesses a keen knowledge of the game. He will assume his duties immediately.

Teams entered in the League will be limited to 16 players. Local 12 will furnish the following equipment for each team; a catcher's mask and glove, a pitcher's glove, and first baseman's glove; the necessary bats and two new regulation balls for each game. Officials from the Greater Toledo Umpire Association will be employed for the League games, and the playing fields will be secured by the Local 12 Recreation Department.

A grievance and rules committee selected from the team managers will handle all disputes arising from the games and their decision will be final.

Local 12 League games, which will be played each Monday and Thursday evenings, will be on the following softball diamonds; Willys Park, Beatty Field, Wilson Park, Highland Park, and St. John's Field.

The following teams, and their managers, have been entered in the Local 12 Softball League: Acklin Stamping Co., Frank Wekwert; Hall Mfg. Co., Pat Heckinger; Lakeside Biscuit Co., Tommy Dawson; Toledo Scales, Ray Samson; Airway Electric, Bob Samson; Peerless Moulded Plastics, Harold Olson; Industrial Heat Treat, Don Poggemeyer; Champion Spark Plug, John Woodward; Laclede-Christy Co., Ray Cramer; Plaskon Division, Ed Stapleton; Spicer Mfg. Co., Harvey Robedeau; Mather Springs, Walter Nino; DeVilbiss Mfg. Co., Val Warchol; American Brake Shoe, Charley Hayes; Willys-Overland (manager to be named); Schultz Die Casting Co., Jack Chapman; Save Electric; Auto-Lite Unit; and Gordon Mfg. Co., Walter Wlodarski.

Another Champ For Local 12

The Local 12 Boxing Club again emerged from a tournament with a champion. Tom Osberger, of the Local 12 team, captured light heavyweight laurels when he soundly trounced Floyd Napierala, of the Y. M. C. A., in the 14th annual city Novice Boxing Tournament finals Monday night.

Young Osberger, who packs a mean wallop in either hand, gained admittance to the finals and the championship, after coming through the preliminaries without much opposition. Both fighters scored knockdowns, but Osberger rallied in the last round and had his plucky opponent nearly out when the bell sounded.

Paul Van Camp, another Local 12 mittman, lost a close judges' decision to Morris Descamp of the T. A. C. Both battlers put up a good slugfest but Van Camp knocked his opponent through the ropes in the last round. This bout would make a good rematch.

Paul Varwig, a newcomer to the fight game, lost in the finals by default when the examining physician did not permit him to compete because of an infected ear. Varwig came through the preliminaries with a knockout to his credit and looked like a sure winner in the finals. He played on the Local 12 football team last year.

Frank Hawk, another Local 12 fighter of the bruiser type, won his opening bout and then lost a close decision to his stablemate, Paul Van Camp.

When Cleveland beat Pitcher Ed Lopat of the Chicago White Sox 3-2 last Aug. 31, it marked the first time the Indians had defeated the stocky White Sox pitcher in three seasons — against nine triumphs Lopat had scored over the Cleveland club.

LAST CALL!

An important meeting of managers of teams to be entered in the Local 12 Softball League will be held at 7:00 o'clock tonight at 425 Winthrop St.

Entries for the League will close at this meeting and Units wishing to place a team in the Local 12 League MUST have a representative at the meeting.

Have there been any world's heavyweight boxing champs born outside of the U. S.?

Yes four: Bob Fitzsimmons (England), Tommy Burns (Canada), Max Schmeling (Germany) and Primo Carnera (Italy).

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